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TO AMEMBASSY KABUL

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: APPROACH TO ASSIST AFGHAN PRINCE

1. DEPT HAS RECEIVED REPORT OF AFGHAN AMB. ZALMAI'S APPROACH TO EMBASSY LONDON ON BEHALF OF EX-KING ZAHER'S FOURTH SON DAUD PUSHTUNYAR. LATTER HAS RECEIVED FLIGHT TRAINING AT WILLIAMS AIR FORCE BASE IN ARIZONA. DAUD DEPARTED TRAINING JULY 23, 1973 FOR LONDON AND ROME. DAUD AND EX-KING HAVE APPEALED VIA AMB. ZALMAI FOR ASSISTANCE IN ALLOWING DAUD TO RETURN TO COMPLETE HIS TRAINING. FYI: SOME FOUR MONTHS REMAIN IN TRAINING CYCLE. AIR FORCE IS CARRYING HIM ON EMERGENCY LEAVE STATUS AND IS PREPARED TO PERMIT HIM TO COMPLETE HIS TRAINING. END FYI.

2. DEPT'S INITIAL REACTION IS TO BE HELPFUL PROVIDED THERE WILL BE NO ADVERSE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS FOR US RELATIONS WITH NEW AFGHAN REGIME. ONE COURSE WOULD BE TO PERMIT DAUD TO RESUME TRAINING. SHOULD QUESTION COME UP AFTER DAUD IS BACK IN US, EMBASSY KABUL WOULD RESPOND IN LOW-KEY MANNER THAT IN ABSENCE OF CANCELLATION DAUD IS CONTINUING FLIGHT TRAINING. ALTERNATIVELY,
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EMBASSY KABUL WOULD RAISE IN LOW-KEY FASHION WITH GOA, ADVISING THAT WE WILLING TO CONTINUE HIS TRAINING, PROVIDED THERE NO OBJECTION FROM GOA. DEPT WOULD WELCOME KABUL'S VIEWS AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY, AND IN MEANTIME EMBASSY SHOULD TAKE NO ACTION ON

THIS MATTER. ROGERS

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